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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN
Director
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Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner,

STAT I was delighted to learn from [redacted] that you will be able to address our December 7th dinner meeting to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the New York Hilton. The reception for the speakers and head table guests is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m., and the program will start at 8:30 and end at 10:00 p.m. It is a black tie affair, and we expect an attendance of about 1,000.

STAT It has been the Club's long established custom to have two speakers, except in the case of heads of state, and as I informed [redacted] the other speaker that evening will be the new British Ambassador, Peter Jay. The title of the Ambassador's speech will be "Fat Years, Lean Years - Can We Control Our Fate?" As I understand it, he plans to discuss the international economic problems of the Free World, including those of Great Britain, and to review possibilities for escaping from the up-down cycles that bring on recessions.

STAT In considering what you might choose as a topic, [redacted] and I were intrigued with the idea of an analysis of the economic situation and outlook in the Communist world. I have the impression that you have been devoting a good deal of personal study and attention to this subject in connection with your new responsibilities. In any event, such a topic would seem to be an extraordinarily good fit with Ambassador Jay's address although, needless to say, you are completely free to speak on whatever subject you choose. We would appreciate knowing reasonably soon of your decision, however, so that we can correctly inform our members and take appropriate steps to assure you of the maximum audience in terms of both quality and quantity.

Immediately following the two speeches of 20 to 25 minutes each we have two highly qualified individuals who act as questioners of the speakers. We find this to be more pertinent and interesting than an unpredictable miscellany of queries from the floor. If you have any thoughts as to who might be a good questioner on the subject of your speech, we would be grateful for them.

Your welcome from The Economic Club and its guest will be a very warm one, and we are looking forward eagerly to having you with us.

Most sincerely,



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President

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